

Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results for Central Texas Plans

The counties included in the Central Texas area are:

Bastrop	Burnet	Grimes	Leon	Mills
Bell	Caldwell	Hamilton	Limestone	Robertson
Blanco	Coryell	Hays	Llano	San Saba
Bosque	Falls	Hill	Madison	Travis
Brazos	Fayette	Lampasas	McLennan	Washington
Burleson	Freestone	Lee	Milam	Williamson



While analysis of the consumer survey was performed for all commercial health maintenance organizations (HMOs) in Texas, only the results for the plans that provide services in the Central Texas area are featured in this section of the report.

Not all HMOs provide services in each county listed here. HMOs whose service area is mainly in another region of the state are included in this section if their service area extends into at least one county in the Central Texas region. The city/area shown after the name of each HMO indicates its main area of service. Contact plans directly for details on the areas they serve.

If your HMO is not included in the following section, it may be exempt from participating in the survey due to its low enrollment or its short time of participation in the Texas commercial HMO market during 2005.

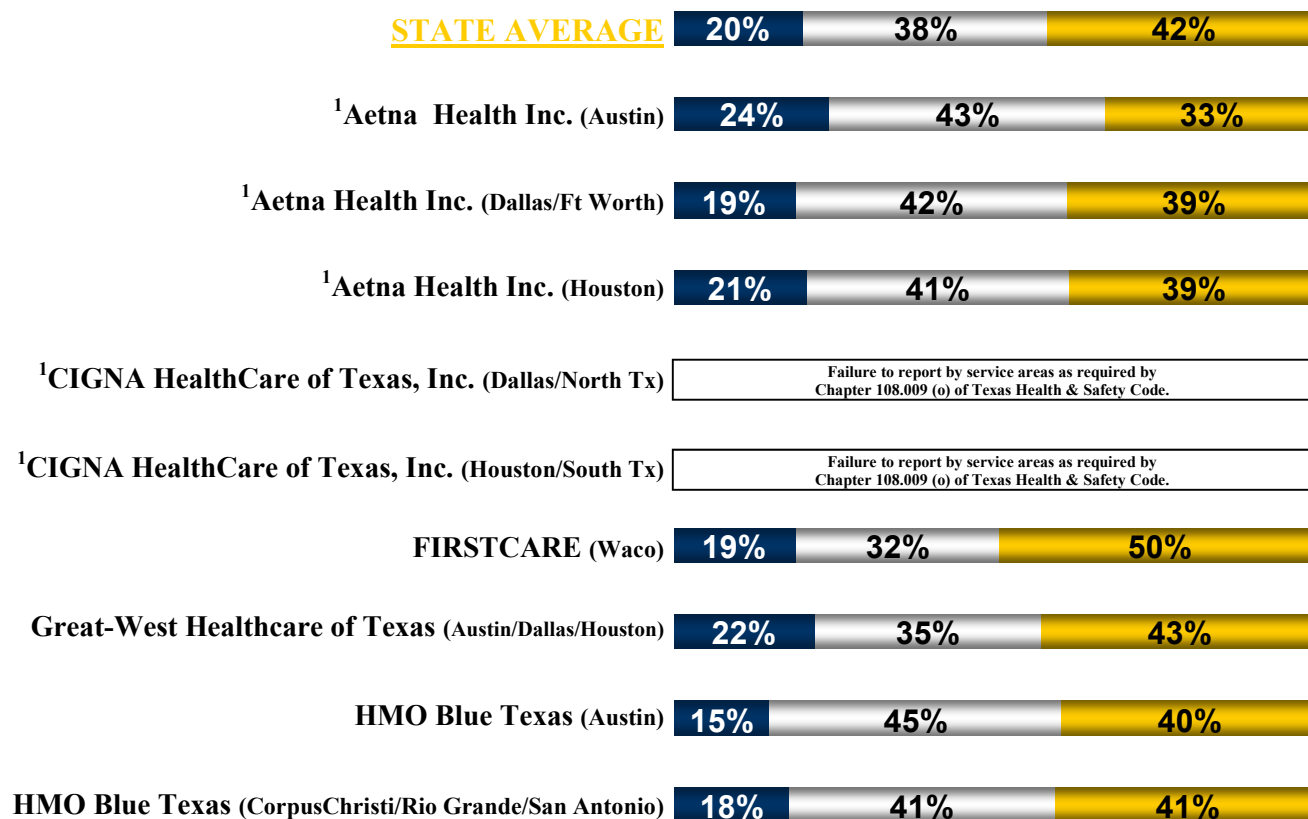
How people rated their health plan

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who rated their plan 6 or lower	Percentage who rated their plan 7 or 8	Percentage who rated their plan 9 or 10
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The bar graphs show answers to a survey question that asked people to **rate their health plan** on a scale from:

0 = “worst health plan possible” to **10** = “best health plan possible”



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How people rated their health plan

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Percentage who rated their plan
6 or lower

Percentage who rated their plan
7 or 8

Percentage who rated their plan
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STATE AVERAGE



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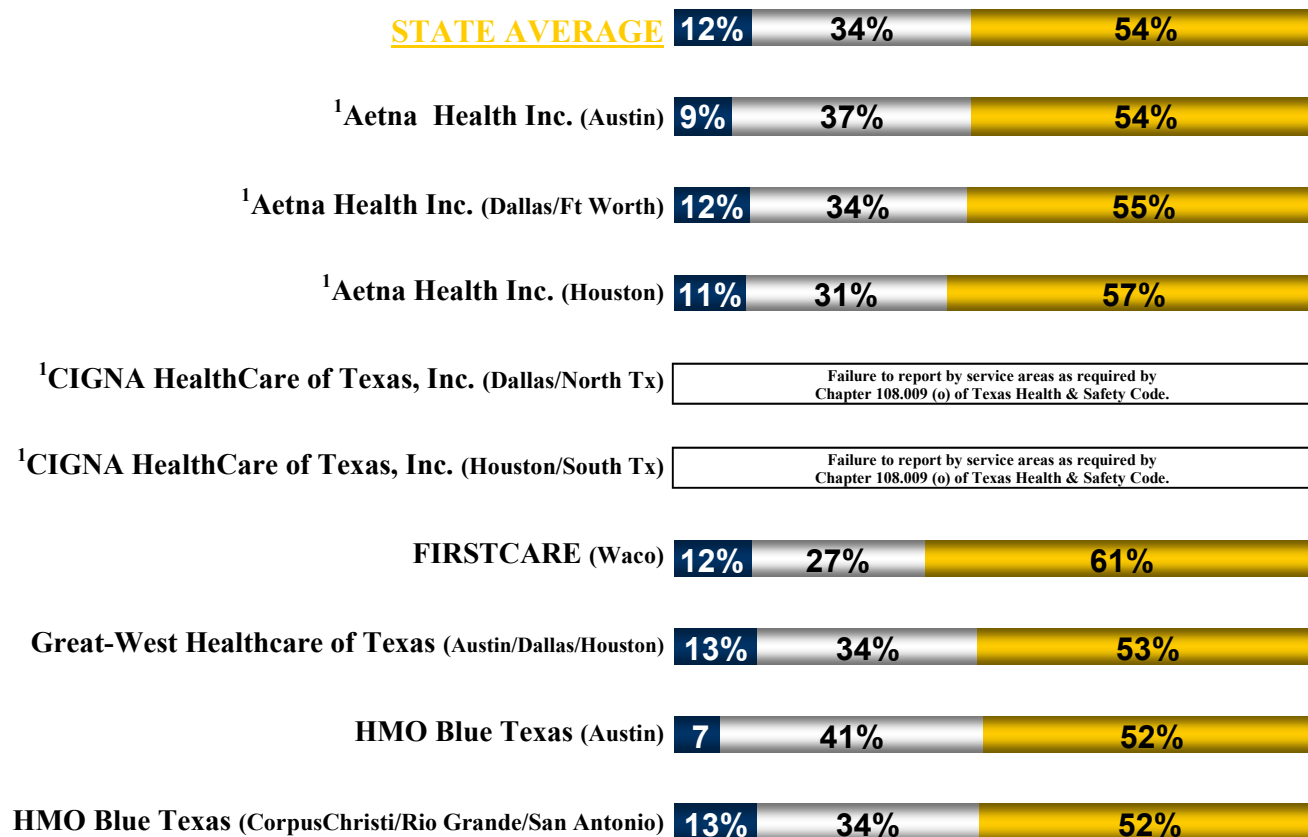
How people rated their health care

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who rated their care 6 or lower	Percentage who rated their care 7 or 8	Percentage who rated their care 9 or 10
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The bar graphs show answers to a survey question that asked people to **rate their health care** they received from all doctors and other health providers on a scale from:

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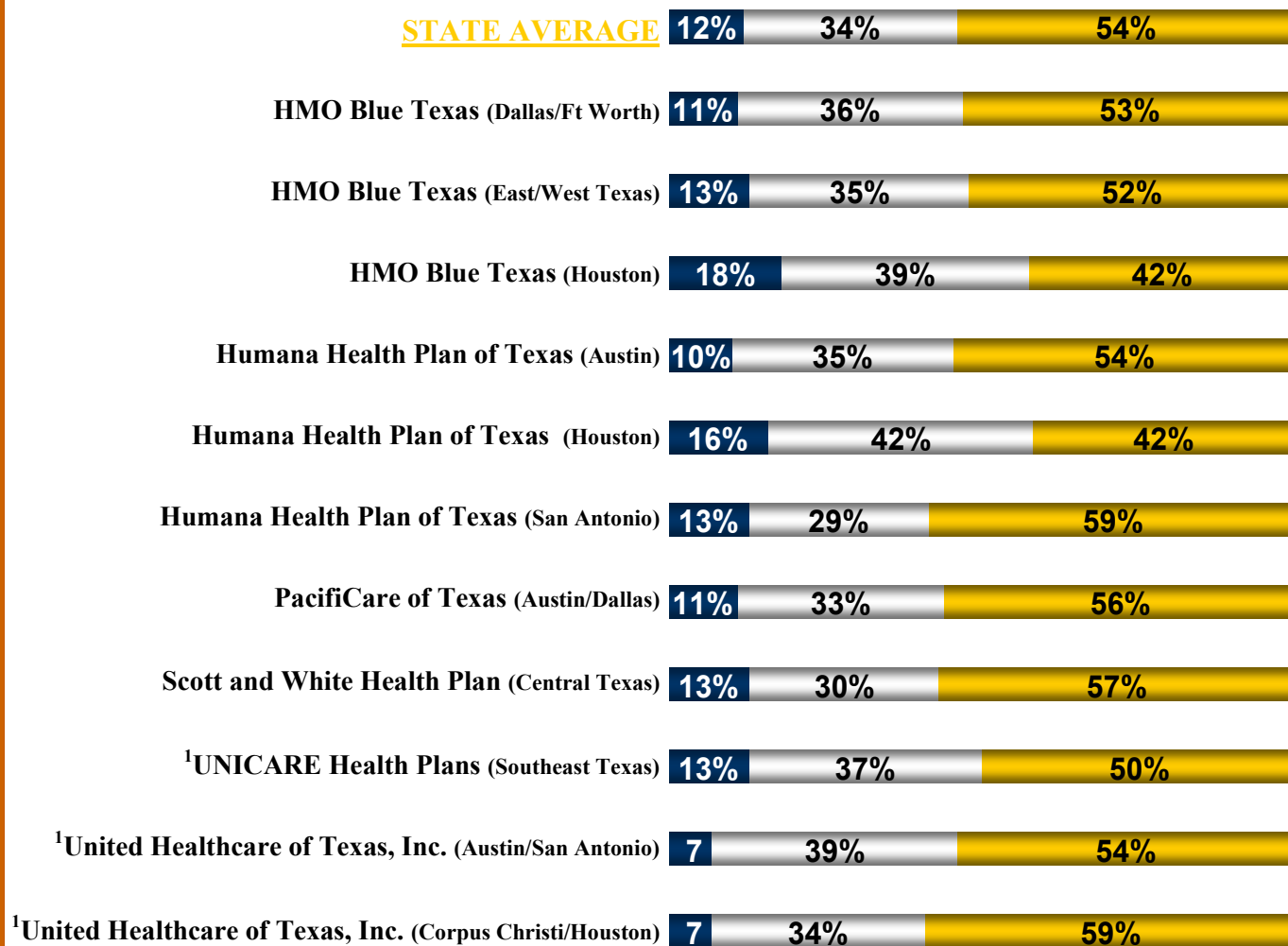
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How people rated their doctor or nurse

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who rated their
doctor or nurse
6 or lower

Percentage who rated their
doctor or nurse
7 or 8

Percentage who rated their
doctor or nurse
9 or 10

The bar graphs show answers to a survey question that asked people to **rate their doctor or nurse** on a scale from:

0 = “worst personal doctor or nurse possible” to **10** = “best personal doctor or nurse possible”

STATE AVERAGE

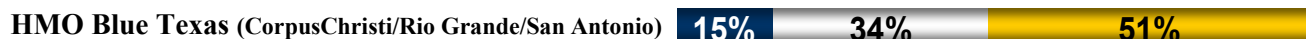


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How people rated their doctor or nurse

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STATE AVERAGE 12% 34% 54%

HMO Blue Texas (Dallas/Ft Worth) 14% 39% 47%

HMO Blue Texas (East/West Texas) 15% 32% 54%

HMO Blue Texas (Houston) 17% 35% 48%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (Austin) 10% 38% 51%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (Houston) 15% 40% 45%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (San Antonio) 9% 31% 59%

PacifiCare of Texas (Austin/Dallas) 12% 34% 54%

Scott and White Health Plan (Central Texas) 9% 30% 60%

¹UNICARE Health Plans (Southeast Texas) 15% 30% 55%

¹United Healthcare of Texas, Inc. (Austin/San Antonio) 9% 35% 56%

¹United Healthcare of Texas, Inc. (Corpus Christi/Houston) 6 39% 55%

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Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results - Central Texas

How people rated their specialist

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who rated their
specialist
6 or lower

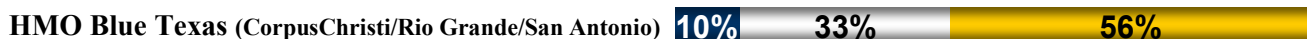
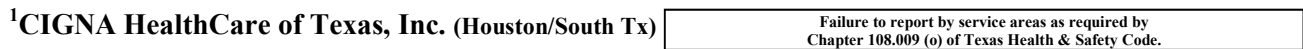
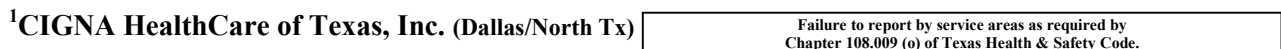
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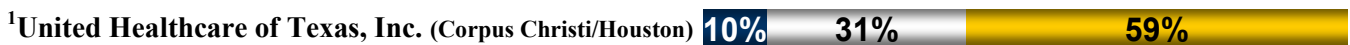
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Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results - Central Texas

Getting care that is needed

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who said they had
BIG problems
getting care they needed

Percentage who said they had
SMALL problems
getting care they needed

Percentage who said they had
NO problems
getting care they needed

The bar graphs show answers to survey questions that asked people **how much of a problem** it was to:

- Find a personal doctor or nurse.
- Get a referral to a specialist that they wanted to see.
- Get the care they and their doctor believed necessary.
- Get care approved by the health plan without delays.

STATE AVERAGE 7 14% 79%

¹Aetna Health Inc. (Austin) 8 18% 74%

¹Aetna Health Inc. (Dallas/Ft Worth) 9% 18% 73%

¹Aetna Health Inc. (Houston) 8 16% 76%

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FIRSTCARE (Waco) 6 11% 82%

Great-West Healthcare of Texas (Austin/Dallas/Houston) 8 16% 76%

HMO Blue Texas (Austin) 6 16% 78%

HMO Blue Texas (CorpusChristi/Rio Grande/San Antonio) 6 17% 77%

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Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results - Central Texas

Getting care without long waits

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who said they sometimes or never got care without long waits	Percentage who said they usually got care without long waits	Percentage who said they always got care without long waits
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The bar graphs show answers to survey questions that asked people **how often** they:

- Got the help or advice they needed when they called the doctor's office during regular office hours.
- Got treatment as soon as they wanted when they were sick or injured.
- Got an appointment as soon as they wanted for regular or routine health care.
- Waited only 15 minutes or less past their appointment time to see the person they went to see.

STATE AVERAGE



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FIRSTCARE (Waco)



Great-West Healthcare of Texas (Austin/Dallas/Houston)



HMO Blue Texas (Austin)



HMO Blue Texas (CorpusChristi/Rio Grande/San Antonio)



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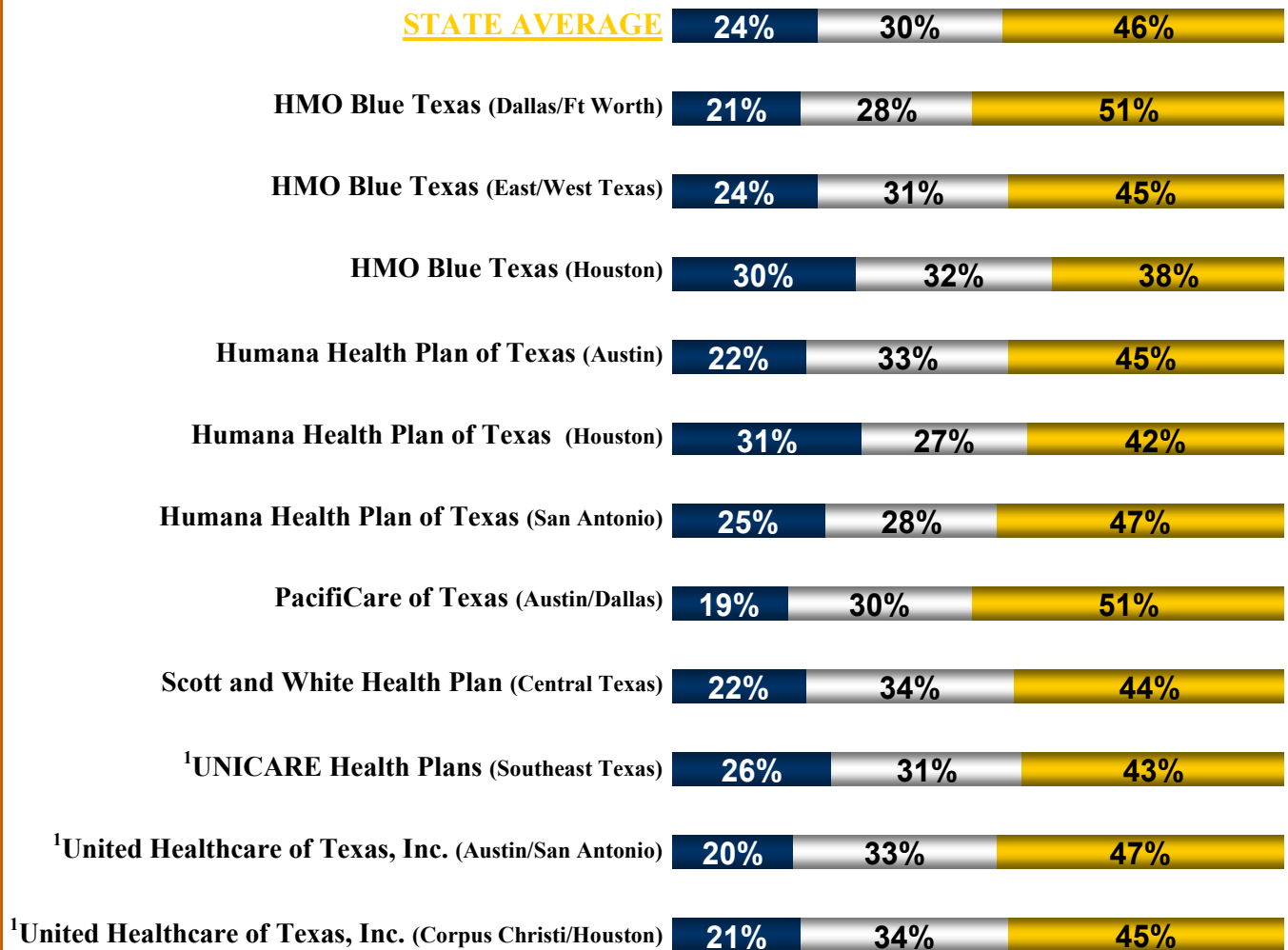
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Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results - Central Texas

Handling of claims quickly and correctly

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

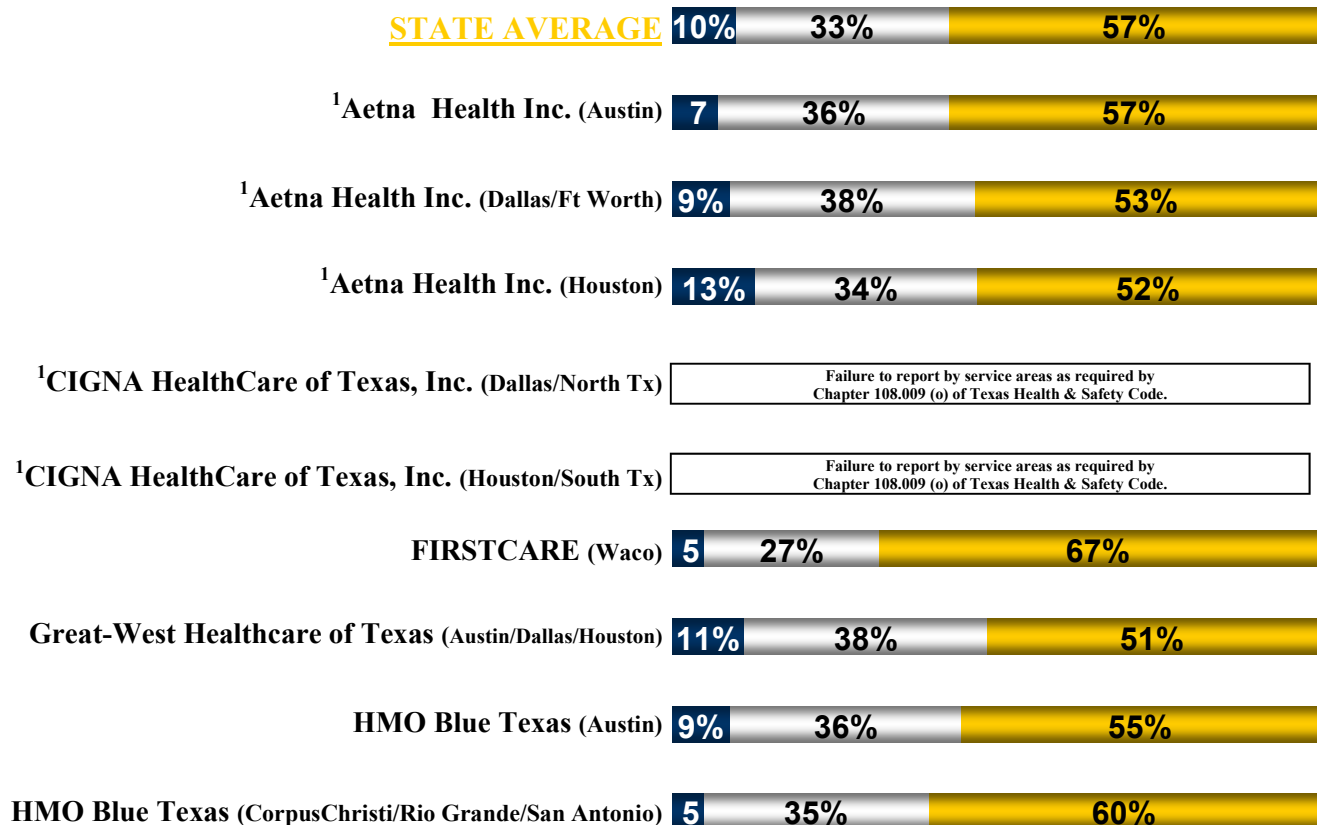
Percentage who said their plan
sometimes or never
handled claims quickly and correctly

Percentage who said their plan
usually
handled claims quickly and correctly

Percentage who said their plan
always
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- Handled claims in a reasonable time.
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STATE AVERAGE 10% 33% 57%

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HMO Blue Texas (East/West Texas) 11% 29% 61%

HMO Blue Texas (Houston) 18% 27% 55%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (Austin) 15% 36% 48%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (Houston) 19% 37% 44%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (San Antonio) 13% 27% 61%

PacifiCare of Texas (Austin/Dallas) 10% 33% 57%

Scott and White Health Plan (Central Texas) 7 25% 68%

¹UNICARE Health Plans (Southeast Texas) 20% 40% 40%

¹United Healthcare of Texas, Inc. (Austin/San Antonio) 12% 36% 52%

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Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results - Central Texas

Efficiency and helpfulness of customer service

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who said they had
BIG problems
with customer service

Percentage who said they had
SMALL problems
with customer service

Percentage who said they had
NO problems
with customer service

The bar graphs show answers to survey questions that asked people **how much of a problem** it was to:

- Get the help they needed when they called the health plan's customer service.
- Find or understand information in the written materials from their health plan.
- Deal with paperwork.

STATE AVERAGE **8** **20%** **72%**

¹Aetna Health Inc. (Austin) **7** **24%** **69%**

¹Aetna Health Inc. (Dallas/Ft Worth) **9%** **25%** **66%**

¹Aetna Health Inc. (Houston) **6** **23%** **71%**

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FIRSTCARE (Waco) **7** **16%** **77%**

Great-West Healthcare of Texas (Austin/Dallas/Houston) **8** **25%** **67%**

HMO Blue Texas (Austin) **7** **26%** **67%**

HMO Blue Texas (CorpusChristi/Rio Grande/San Antonio) **7** **22%** **71%**

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8

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72%

HMO Blue Texas (Dallas/Ft Worth)

9%

21%

71%

HMO Blue Texas (East/West Texas)

5

20%

75%

HMO Blue Texas (Houston)

10%

22%

68%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (Austin)

13%

20%

67%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (Houston)

10%

19%

71%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (San Antonio)

8

16%

75%

PacifiCare of Texas (Austin/Dallas)

6

20%

74%

Scott and White Health Plan (Central Texas)

5

18%

77%

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Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results - Central Texas

How well doctors communicate

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who said their doctors
sometimes or never
communicated well

Percentage who said their doctors
usually
communicated well

Percentage who said their doctors
always
communicated well

The bar graphs show answers to survey questions that asked people **how often** their doctor or other health provider:

- Listened carefully to them.
- Explained things in a way they could understand.
- Showed respect for what they had to say.
- Spent enough time with them.

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FIRSTCARE (Waco) 7 25% 68%

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Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results - Central Texas

Courtesy, respect and helpfulness of office staff

Survey (CAHPS™3.0H) Results

Percentage who said office staff were
sometimes or never
courteous, respectful, and helpful

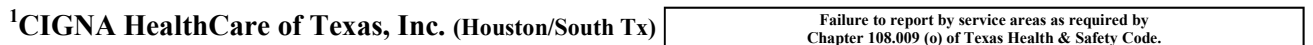
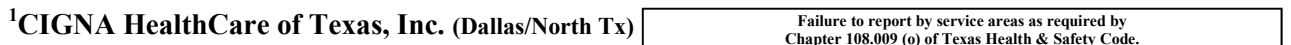
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usually
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Percentage who said office staff were
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The bar graphs show answers to survey questions that asked people **how often** the office staff at their doctor's office:

- Treated them with courtesy and respect.
- Were as helpful as they should be.

STATE AVERAGE



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HMO Blue Texas (Dallas/Ft Worth) 9% 25% 67%

HMO Blue Texas (East/West Texas) 9% 21% 70%

HMO Blue Texas (Houston) 11% 25% 63%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (Austin) 6 26% 68%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (Houston) 10% 27% 63%

Humana Health Plan of Texas (San Antonio) 9% 22% 69%

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Survey (CAHPS™ 3.0H) Results - Central Texas

Response rate for all plans in the survey

Response rate = (completed surveys / [total sample – ineligible])

State Average = 32%

Aetna Health Inc. (Austin)	26%
Aetna Health Inc. (Dallas/Ft Worth)	31%
Aetna Health Inc. (El Paso)	28%
Aetna Health Inc. (Houston)	28%
Aetna Health Inc. (San Antonio)	27%
CIGNA HealthCare of Texas, Inc. (Dallas/North Tx)	FTR
CIGNA HealthCare of Texas, Inc. (Houston/South Tx)	FTR
Community First Health Plans (San Antonio)	37%
FIRSTCARE (Abilene)	41%
FIRSTCARE (Amarillo)	44%
FIRSTCARE (Lubbock)	34%
FIRSTCARE (Waco)	35%
Great-West Healthcare of Texas (Austin/Dallas/Houston)	23%
HMO Blue Texas (Austin)	37%
HMO Blue Texas (Corpus Christi/Rio Grande/San Antonio)	41%
HMO Blue Texas (Dallas/Ft Worth)	33%
HMO Blue Texas (East/West Texas)	33%
HMO Blue Texas (Houston)	32%
Humana Health Plan of Texas (Austin)	25%
Humana Health Plan of Texas (Corpus Christi)	23%
Humana Health Plan of Texas (Houston)	19%
Humana Health Plan of Texas (San Antonio)	29%
Mercy Health Plans (Laredo)	31%
PacifiCare of Texas (Austin/Dallas)	40%
PacifiCare of Texas (Houston/San Antonio)	40%
Scott and White Health Plan (Central Texas)	38%
UNICARE Health Plans (Southeast Texas)	31%
United Healthcare of Texas, Inc. (Dallas)	29%
United Healthcare of Texas, Inc. (Austin/San Antonio)	26%
United Healthcare of Texas, Inc. (Houston/Corpus Christi)	23%
Valley Baptist Health Plan (Harlingen)	32%

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